

said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ); when he comes, he will show us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

Just then his disciples came. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but none said, "What do you wish?" or, "Why are you talking with her?" So the woman left her water jar, and went away into the city and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?" They went out of the city and were coming to him.

Meanwhile the disciples besought him, saying "Rabbi, eat." But he said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought him food?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me, and to accomplish his work. Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see how the fields are already white for harvest. He who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor; others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony. "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of your words that we believe, for we have heard ourselves, and we know that this is indeed Christ the Savior of the world."

Youth Camping Week at Rose City 30 June through 5 July. It's just about time for summer camp to open at the Metropolis of Detroit Camp in Rose City. That means a week full of fun and exploration as well as an opportunity to bond with other youth from the Metropolis. The Rose City camp serves young people from Michigan and Ohio that are looking for a wholesome camp experience. Fr. Iakovos will be serving as camp chaplain for the week of 30 June through 5 July, Week 1 of the camp's operation. For this reason, we are encouraging our kids to attend camp during that week so that they see a familiar face.

Application forms and additional information are available from Fr. Iakovos for those that would like to explore this option to share the experience with their children.

Kalliope Pissare Falls Asleep in the Lord. Mrs. Kalliope Pissare, His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas' mother passed away unexpectedly this past Thursday, May 22nd. Funeral arrangements are still being planned and will be passed on to our parishioners via e-Mail when available. We will celebrate a trisagion for the repose of her soul this morning. A condolence card for His Eminence is in the narthex of the church. **EVERYONE** is asked to sign it. May her memory be eternal!



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† PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS †

Sunday	25 May	5th Sunday of Pascha. Sunday of the Samaritan Woman. 9 AM Orthros and Liturgy of St. Chrysostomos 11 AM Church School 11:15 AM Trisagion for +Kalliope Pissare 11:30 AM Fellowship Hour hosted by Olszewski and Ealy Families
Monday	26 May	St. Patrick, Hieromartyr of Proussa. Memorial Day Public Holiday 10 AM Memorial Day Ceremony at Oakwood Cemetery Noon to ? Picnic at The Pharos on the Peninsula
Tuesday	27 May	St. John the Russian, Confessor.
Wednesday	28 May	St. Euthyces the Martyr. Fast Day--Wine and Oil Allowed.
Thursday	29 May	St. Theodosia the Martyr.
Friday	30 May	St. Macrina, Mother of St. Basil the Great. Fast Day—Wine and Oil Allowed.
Saturday	31 May	St. Eusebios and St. Haralmbos, Martyrs. 4:30 PM 9 th Hour and Vespers 5:30 PM Choir Rehearsal
Sunday	1 June	6th Sunday of Pascha. Sunday of the Man Born Blind. 9 AM Orthros and Liturgy of St. Chrysostomos 11 AM Church School 11:30 AM Fellowship Hour

“Memorial Day” Weekend Activities. This weekend we join our nation in commemorating the supreme sacrifice made by the men and women of our armed forces down through the years. This weekend we honour those who gave their lives in order to purchase and preserve our precious freedoms and the nation that we call our home. While the holiday was originally begun in 1868 with a General Order issued by General J. A. Logan of the Grand Army of the Republic, it has taken on a deeper and more profound meaning over time. By 1915 Memorial Day had come to represent the war dead of our armed forces who found themselves giving the ultimate sacrifice in each and every engagement in the history of this nation. While many of us will be involved in picnics and ball games, hot dog eating and cook-outs, we will take a moment tomorrow to remember our war dead with a special service to be held at Oakwood Cemetery in Traverse City at 10 AM. Please join us in praying for the repose of the souls of those that have died in the service of this country and also thanking God for their selfless sacrifice that has given us so many blessings.

Photographic Directory Appointments for Sittings Available—6-7 June. Our parish is cooperating with Life-Touch Church Directories in preparing a photographic parish directory. Free of charge, Life-Touch will take portraits of our people and place them in a “yearbook” directory which will help tell the story of our parish. Just for participating, each family or individual will receive a free 8 x10 of the picture of their choice using the same pose that will appear in the parish directory.

Today, following services, Mrs. Martha Ealy will again be taking reservations for sittings. She will be doing this in the anteroom of the fellowship hall. You may also phone her at **231-824-9097** to make your reservation. Everyone is asked to try and schedule their sitting as soon as possible so that we can get an idea of the level of participation that can be expected and the amount of time that the photographers will require. Appointments are available from 5:30 PM to 9 PM on Friday, 6 June and 9 to 5 on Saturday 7 June. For those that would like to purchase photographs, various purchase packages will be made available by Life Touch. For those that cannot attend a sitting, make up photography sessions are available on a limited basis later in the month, or you may submit your own digital photo for inclusion. Those desiring to make their own photographic submission are asked to consult with Fr. Iakovos or Helen Dalbo for specifications.

Habitat for Humanity Project. Our parish is sponsoring a team to work on a Habitat for Humanity project that is expected to take place on Saturday, 21 June when property becomes available at the junction of Supply and Rasha Rds just outside of Traverse City. This is expected to be a one day project that involves building an 8’ x 8’ UBC kit shed for the habitat client. A foreman and supervision will be provided by the HFH organisation. Water, lunch and snacks will be provided by the local HFH chapter. Workers are required to bring their own tools: tape measures, levels, drills, hammers, circular saws, screw drivers, etc. A complete list of required tools will be circulated with those that have signed up to help and we will make sure that we have enough tools to go round. The following persons have signed up to work on the project: Bob Dalbo, Martha Ealy, Elizabeth Husby, Karen and Randy Kain, Ernesto Lucero, Fr. and Presvytera, Jim and Holly Olszewski, Doug Partlo, Katerina and Dennis Stavros. Additional persons are invited to sign up—the sheet is in the narthex of the church. Coordinator of this event is Stephanie Long in conjunction with Fr. Iakovos.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS FOR THE DAY

Epistle Lesson: St. Paul’s Second Letter to the Corinthians 4:6-15

Brethren, it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. For while we live we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

Since we have the same spirit of faith as he had who wrote, "I believed, and so I spoke," we too believed, and so we speak, knowing that He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into His presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

Gospel Lesson: Gospel According to St. John 4:5-42

At that time, Jesus came to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the field that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and so Jesus, wearied as he was with his journey, sat down beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep; where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, and his sons, and his cattle?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst; the water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and he whom you now have is not your husband; this you said truly." The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain; and you say that Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." Jesus